

The Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers
July 18, 2012

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted July 18, 2012, at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members Present

Granville Smith, Chairman
Melanie Abner, Secretary

Occupations and Professions Staff Present

Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator

Others Present

Byron Brentlinger, Board Investigator
Michael West, Board Counsel

Members Absent

Charlotte Whittaker
Dr. Gary Wortz
Dr. Kevin Stallard

Call to Order

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The Board did not have a quorum and could only discuss the items on the agenda and will vote on those items at a later date.

Review of Financial Statements

The Board reviewed their Financial Statement for May and June

O&P Report

There was no O&P Report for the July meeting.

Board Counsel Report

Mr. West informed the Board that the ongoing civil case with Funk E Fusion has been settled and the business agreed to a two thousand five hundred dollar fine. The settlement agreement has been sent to the Judges office.

Board Inspector Byron Brentlinger requested Mr. West provide him with another letter regarding the sale of colored contact lenses for Mr. Brentlinger to use for businesses that he visits that are selling the contact lenses illegally. As Halloween approaches there will be several businesses around the state that will begin selling the item and owners need to be made aware that it is illegal to sell any contact lenses without a prescription.

Ophthalmic Inspector Report

Mr. Brentlinger provided inspection reports from five different optical stores around the state. The Wal-Mart Vision Center in Louisville, Sears Optical in Louisville, and JC Penny in Louisville were all in compliance when Mr. Brentlinger did his inspection. Korrekt

Optical in Louisville had only one license hanging on the wall. The apprentice working in the store is sponsored by an Optician that also works at another location within the company. Mr. Brentlinger requested that she make a copy of her certificate and place it on the wall at both locations. Sears Optical at the Oxmore Mall in Louisville was sited as having a license on the wall of someone that no longer is licensed by the Board but is still employed at the store. An employee informed Mr. Brentlinger that the license had been terminated and the employee no longer dispenses but only cleans frame boards.

Licensure Status Report

Ms. Lane informed the Board that as of July 18, 2012 there are now 172 Apprentice Ophthalmic Dispenser, 637 Active Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 99 Inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

Approval of Apprentice Applications

With no quorum the Board was unable to approve the Apprentice Applications.

Additional Business

Chairman Smith requested Ms. Lane begin working on a letter for licensees that talks about the new National Practical Exam that the state of Kentucky will begin using in November of this year. Chairman Smith wants everyone to understand the new process and be made aware that the Practical will now be computer generated and offered at several different testing sites across the state for better convenience for licensees.

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

Chairman Smith asked that those that attended today's meeting receive approval for travel at the rescheduled meeting.

Next Meeting

The Board will reschedule the July meeting for Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at 12:00pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05am.



Granville Smith, Chairman